

HILL'S TRICKERY EXPOSE

HOW HE TRIED TO SAVE SQUIRE

THREATENING MR. MARTINE AND WORKING
TO SUPPRESS THE LETTER.

YOUNG MR. IVINS GIVES THE CASE AWAY--

CLARK ON THE WITNESS-STAND.

The day's labors of the State Senate Investigating Committee, which were begun so early after 10 o'clock Tuesday morning in the Supreme Court, Chambers, proved as lively and entertaining in their results as those of Saturday, and anything, more damaging to Governor Hill. The chief due to the testimony of the Chamberlain, Mr. Ivins, who talked as unreservedly about his relations with Mr. Hill as did Squire, and with as much effect.

Mr. Ivins was the principal witness at the morning session. He was preceded by President Spencer, of the Aqueduct Commission; ex-Congressman Edward J. Loew, D. C. Robinson, of Mira, and Mr. Squire. Squire was recalled

produce the letters which he said had been written to him by Governor Hill. He did so, but they did not prove as sensational as had been anticipated. As will be seen, they are for the most part simply requests by him for the appointment of his friends in the Department of Public Works, which at that time had been virtually turned over to his control.

A SUMMARY OF OTHER EVIDENCE.

Mr. Loew's evidence simply confirmed fact, generally known, that he was thrown out of the Aquebuct Commission because he opposed John O'Brien's methods. Ex-Judge Spencer repeated the story of his unsuccessful efforts to induce the Governor not to sign the Aquebuct bill. Heman Clark, the business manager of the firm of O'Brien & Clark, was on the stand most of the afternoon and gave some interesting particulars in relation to his firm and to his political partner. One of these was that the \$10,000 paid on which Governor Hill's name appeared was really the campaign assessment levied on John O'Brien, which he sought to have Mr. C. E. Spencer shoulder with him, on the ground that the

tribution would result to the general advantage of the firm. De Lancey Nicoll occupied the stand for a short time, but his testimony in regard to Governor Hill and the Squire-Flynn indictment was not important.

MORE SPECTATORS THAN ON SATURDAY.
There was a much larger crowd in attendance than on Saturday. At times the room was filled with interested spectators, including a number of local politicians. All the Aqueeduct Commissioners, Messrs. Ridgway, Barnes, Baldwin, Du-

and Fish, dropped in, and some of them remained throughout both sessions. The Senators were on hand promptly. Chairman Fassett rapped for order but before General Tracy called the roll

order, but before General Tracy called the witness, Senator Pierce arose and stated that he had received a telegram from Governor Foss asking the committee to compel Mr. Squire to produce the letters referred to by the ex-Commissioner in his testimony on Saturday. Mr. Foss said such a formal demand had been made.

President Spence, whose examination was held on Saturday, was the first to testify. He said he had seen the Governor about the bill changing the Aqueduct Board. He told Mr. Ives that public sentiment was against the measure, and urged him to wait for protests. The Governor replied that if he thought as Mr. Spence did about the necessity of retaining the Controller on the committee.

Commission, he would veto the bill immediately. "Two days afterward," remarked the wit, "Governor Hill signed the bill."

NEVER HEARD OF SUBLET CONTRACTS.

The names and bidders for Section 12 of Aqueduct, for which O'Brien & Clark received contract for \$430,341 although there were others below them, were read. General Tracy as

Mr. Spencer if he had ever heard of Beckwith Quackenbush, to whom it was said O'Brien Clark had sold the contract. "No," was the reply. "I never heard of them. It was denied to me that the contract was sold. The actual work is being done by a man named Peterson, who, I understand, is O'Brien Clark's independent."

At the request of Senator Fassett, Mr. Spence related the history of the contract for Section 12, 13 and 14. When the contracts were opened they were referred to the engineers for classification. They informed the witness that they deemed it important that O'Brien & Clark should

the contracts, as Mr. Clark had done similar work in the upper section and done it well. An informal vote was taken, and Section No. 13 was given to O'Brien & Clark, and Sections 13 and 14 to another firm, Brunton & Co., which was to do the work and is now in the hands of a receiver. Mr. Spencer thought it was for the interests of the city to give the work under the Dunlop, O'Brien & Clark. The state-

Section 12 should be awarded to O'Brien & Clark as Chief Engineer Church, giving the reasons. The award was submitted in evidence.

SQUIRE PRODUCES THE LETTERS.

Then Mr. Squire, looking as happy as though he were still in control of his old department, placed his way to the witness stand. He said he had

Governor's letters with him and produced the
Here they are: February 29, 1885

Dear Sir: I am directed by Governor Hill to
that he will be in Albany on Sunday and will be
to see you at any time which may suit your
convenience. Very truly yours,
William G. Rice, Private Secretary

June 29, 1885

My Dear Sir: I expect to be in New York again in the near future. I desire to see you for a few moments. I should be obliged if you could make it convenient to call. I remain very truly yours,
David B. Hill

Hoffman House, July 9, '85

My Dear Sir: Mr. Ridgway has spoken to you about Mr. Charles Connell. I agree with him that Connell's appointment would be a proper one to make, and it would be creditable to your department.

Commell has had large experience and can greatly
 you in your efforts to conduct your department in
 business principles. I trust you can arrange to receive
 his services. Yours,
 Executive Mansion,
 Albany, November 12, 1888

Hon. Rollin M. Squire:
 My Dear Sir: Your cordial message of congratulation
 tion was received with great pleasure, and I trust

appreciate and thank you for the hearty expression
your good wishes. I remain very truly yours,
David R. Hill
Executive Mansion,
Albany, May 10, 1896

To R. M. Squire, esq. :
Dear Sir: Permit me to introduce to you the be-
hereof, Willard N. Pratt, esq., an Alderman of
Second Ward of the city of Elmira. Although a
nudeian, he is a very clever fellow, a gentleman

every respect, and a prominent citizen of Indianapolis.
He visits your city on behalf of a committee of Indianapolis
concerning the street-cleaning machine.
Information which you can give him and any correspondence
you may extend to him will be appreciated by
I remain very truly yours,
Executive Mansion,
Albany, September 22, 1885

Dear Sir: Governor HUI has received your cordial letter of the 25th inst., and desires me to thank you for the congratulations it contained. He fully appreciates the kind sentiments and the hearty assurances of support which you express. The Governor wishes me to add that the need of his presence in New York City deprives him of the pleasure of personally acknowledging your letter. Truly yours,
William G. Rice, Private Secretary

Dear Sir: Your telegram announcing that you not receive my letter until too late for a personal interview is at hand. I desired to see you at several things which can wait, and in reference to only will I now speak. Hon. Henry C. Nelson, Westchester County, is a personal and political friend of mine. His brother has been removed from position in your department. I should be exceedingly gratified if he could be restored to his former place held by him, and I take the liberty of requesting

fully requesting you to reinstate him provided you consistently do so and the public interests will benefit of its being done. There are several urgent reasons for desiring his reinstatement which I somewhat vaguely will explain in this hasty letter.

David B. Hill
HILL TOO CLEVER TO INVOLVE HIMSELF
The members of the committee smiled as the

were read, Mr. Fussett remarking that there did appear to be anything especially "criminal" in them. "I never said there was anything incriminating in the Governor's literary productions," retorted Squire, adding that Mr. Hill had too much political sagacity to expose himself. The witness repeated some of his former testimony.

about Judge Muller's assuring him of the Governor's protection against Grace, and also ab-